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| | Ingestion of Blood Borne Pathogens | | | |

POLICY:

Eating, drinking, applying cosmetics or lip balm and handling contact lenses are prohibited in work areas where there is a reasonable likelihood of, occupational exposures.

Food and drink shall not be kept in refrigerators, freezers, shelves, cabinets, countertops, or bench tops where blood or other potentially infectious materials are present.

Employees shall avoid any behaviors that could result in ingesting contaminated materials. Following any patient contact they must either wash their hands using soap and running water or use alcohol gel or foam as described in the Exposure Control Plan policy on hand washing prior to eating, drinking, applying cosmetics or lip balm.